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SEPT. 20, 2022 – APR 2023
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
 Butler Blind Association
 322 North Cedar Street
BOARD MEETINGS
 4th Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
 Butler Blind Association

MAY – SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
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 Alameda Park Lions Shelter
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Our July meetings:



Getting ready for dinner!



Playing bingo!



Coach Jeff Potter enjoying bingo!

On July 12, we hosted the clients of the Blind Association for their annual dinner and bingo. We had a delicious meal of ham and potato salad, baked beans and homemade desserts. It was a great evening and approximately \$150 in bingo prizes was won. The 50/25/25 raised \$119 for the Blind Association and there were 2 winners of \$59 each. Coach Jeff Potter and young man Gavin joined us and helped to make the evening a great success. Thanks to all!!



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On July 19, we celebrated “Christmas in July” at our shelter in Alameda Park. We enjoyed a delicious dinner of steak or chicken, and sides and desserts from our members. There was a “white elephant” gift exchange also.

1. Abram Fleeeger, Lion Adam looking on, awaits Santa.
2. Santa arrives in a bright red truck. He’s checking his naughty or nice list!
3. Lion Randy helping his grandson get his gift bag.
4. Kagan Bonnett (Lion Steve’s son) and Santa having a talk. Hmm, I wonder what they are discussing?

It was a wonderful evening!

August membership meetings: will be August 2 and August 16 at the Butler Lions Shelter. Dinner reservations for the meeting are due to Lion Connie the Friday before the meeting. There are no programs scheduled at this time. Come to the meetings to have a nice dinner, socialization/fellowship and keeping abreast of the latest club news.

Club meeting dinner cost with in-club raffles and reservation policy: The cost of dinner for a club member is \$15 for one or \$25 for a couple. The dinner price includes a ticket for our 3 in-club raffles (Lion Sue Garris Memorial raffle, 50/50 and joker poker). If you are not eating or want an additional raffle ticket, the cost is \$3. That is for the 3 drawings. One ticket enters you in all three raffles.

For all regular club meetings, all Lions are asked to make a reservation with Lion Connie Ivill by the Friday prior to the meeting. If you make a reservation and do not come to that meeting, you will be responsible for paying for that reservation. Reservation cancellations must be made by the Friday before the meeting. If you come to a meeting without making a reservation; you will have to wait until those who made reservations have gone through the dinner line. If there is extra food, those without reservations will be invited to partake in the dinner. Be sure to pay Lion Tom for your dinner and get your raffle tickets.

Our meals will be buffet style. You are welcome to return for seconds after every one has gone through the line.

August board meeting: is scheduled for August 23, at the Blind Association, starting at 6:30. All club members are welcome to attend.

Sue Garris Memorial Raffle: Contact Lion Wink to sign-up to bring a raffle item.

Aug. 2: Janet and Barry	Sept. 20: Betty and Jim	Nov. 8: no raffle
Aug. 16: George	Oct. 4: Fleegers	Nov. 15: Betty and Jim
Sept. 6: Rhonda	Oct. 18: Cathie and Rich	Dec: no raffles

Official provider of Butler Lions apparel: Titler's Special Tees, 201 Kohler Avenue, Lyndora, has our official logo and can provide a variety of shirts and sweat shirts with the logo. The club shirt's color is **ultra marine blue**. However, you can have our logo put on any apparel. Their telephone number is 724-283-0562.

Katie's Kitchen: The meals have resumed at St. Mark's; all dinners at this time are carry-out. In addition to the third Thursday, our club has been asked (at least for now) to assist with the meal on the 2nd Thursday. So, if you are available to assist with either of these dinners, contact Lion Eric to assist at the August 11 dinner and Lion Janet to assist at the August 18 dinner. Thanks to Lions Eric and Ellen for assisting at the July 14 dinner. 125 meals were distributed. Thanks to Lions Janet, Barry, John, Deb Hayes, Carolyn and Wink for assisting at the July 21 dinner. 133 meals were distributed.

Mingle on Main in Saxonburg: We were not at the Mingle in July. We will be at the August 18 Mingle. Contact Lions Maryann or Adam if you are available to help.

Future events of note:

- Penn Glade Lions club's rib dinner, the 4th Thursday of the month through September, 5-7pm, \$22.
- District 14-N cabinet meeting #1 and the passing of the banner will be held on August 27 at the Butler Blind Association. The cabinet meeting starts at 1:00. The passing of the banner is scheduled to start at 3:00. An ice cream social will follow the ceremony. No RSVPs are required.
- Beaver Falls Lions Club's 100th anniversary at Shakespeare's Restaurant on Saturday, October 8, 2022. More details as the event draws closer. This is the oldest club in our district.
- PA Lions State Council Meeting #2 will be October 28-30 at the Cranberry Township Marriott. District 14-N is the host of this meeting. The district will need to have many volunteers to assist with this meeting.
- District 14-N cabinet meeting #2, Saturday, November 5, 1:00 at the Blind Association.
- District 14-N Fall Rally, Sunday, November 6, at the Atrium, Prospect. More details on this event will be forthcoming.

A note from Lion Connie:

Dear Fellow Lions,

I would like to express my appreciation to EVERYONE that helped make the Social, Dinner and Bingo evening a wonderful success. Being a background helper, I saw the hard work, the organization, the many hours, the shopping, the checking the lists (again and again) of so many. Special Events Committee Chairperson, Maryann Fleeger, this was a wonderful evening serving our community. Carolyn Winkler, you did a wonderful job as chairperson of this event. I apologize for all the phone calls you received from me! You pulled it off effortlessly and made it look easy! George Bonnett, again your expertise was needed for the menu and quantities. Thank you Bingo callers, John and Barry for making the event light hearted and humorous! Thank you to everyone that helped bake cookies, serve food, set up, clean up, and keep the clients of the Butler Blind Association well cared for. The evening was a success because our members, and the Potter Baseball Team, worked together and volunteered many hours of their time. Thank you everyone. With Lionism and appreciation in my heart,
Connie Ivill

Event and Food Committees: are holding a joint meeting on August 9, 2022, at 6:30, at the Butler Lions Shelter. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend. We will be discussing the Christmas Parade, the Christmas Party, and etc. Come with ideas! Volunteers are needed! Thanks everyone.

Adopt-a-highway: Our third highway clean-up will be August 6, 7:00 at Trinity Lutheran Church. We will have donuts, vests, gloves (or bring your own) and bags.

City Farmers Market: started on May 28. We are signed up to have our sales table there every Saturday for the whole season. Lion Art is coordinating this activity. We are in need of some Lions who will be able to transport the products and set-up at the market. Contact Lion Art if you can help with this.

Big Butler Fair! Was July 1-9. Lions Maryann and Adam carried the Lions' share of time manning our booth. Over \$700 in sales and a lot of public exposure!



The East Butler Baseball Team: is pictured. They had a very good year! Lion Steve's son Kagan was a member of this team that we sponsored.

Meadowood neighborhood sale: will be August 20, from 9-2pm. Contact Lions Maryann or Adam if you are available to put some time in. This is always a busy sale.

Club awards night: the board has decided that our annual awards night will be held on October 18, 6:30 at the Blind Association. This will be for Lions year 2021-2022. Awards night is a family and friend night. Please mark your calendar and plan to be present when we recognize many of our club members for their service to humanity and Lionism.

Fall sausage sale: no details yet but we will have a fall sausage sale. Be sure and let your customers know it is coming!

Heart of a Lion award nominations: are open. If you want to nominate a community minded individual for this award, please submit your type written nomination to IPP Bob Ogden by the end of September. The committee will review all the nominations and decide on a winner or winners. The plan is to present this award at one of our meetings in February. Contact IPP Bob if you have any questions.

Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" passes: is October 19 from 8am – 11pm. Our club is selling passes to this event; they are \$5 (the club gets to keep that money). The pass gives the shopper 25% off that day, of the lowest sale price (there are exceptions which are noted on the pass). Boscov's is also giving away a \$100 gift card in each store. To get passes, contact Lions Connie Ivill or Maryann.



Happy birthday to the following Lions celebrating a birthday in August:

Kathy Venditto (3)	Steve Bonnett (19)
Eric Cranmer (4)	Joe Smith (21)
Suzanne Colon (11)	Jeff Campbell (24)
Carolyn Winkler (13)	Dan Marshall (26)
Don Eyth (18)	Rich Cox (27)

CALENDAR

AUGUST

2: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
6: 7am, Adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
9: 6:30 Events & Food Committees meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
11: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
16: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
18: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
18: 5:30-8:30 Mingle on Main, Saxonburg
20: 9-2 neighborhood sale-Meadowood
23: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
25: 5-7 Penn Glade Lions club's rib dinner
27: 1:00 District 14-N cabinet meeting #1 and passing of the Banner, Blind Association

SEPTEMBER

5: Happy Labor Day!
6: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
8: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
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15: 5:30-8:30 Mingle on Main, Saxonburg
20: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
22: 5-7 Penn Glade Lions club's rib dinner
27: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
Thursday (1, 15) 2 pm, work session, Blind Assoc.

Butler City Farmers' Market every Saturday
May 28 through October, 8:30 – 12:30

OCTOBER

1: 11-6 Butler Fall Festival, Downtown Butler
4: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
8: 7am, Adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
13: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
18: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association Awards night; family and friends night
19: Boscov's friends helping friends event
20: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
25: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
28-30: 2nd state council meeting, Marriott Hotel, Cranberry Township
31: Happy Halloween!

NOVEMBER

1: no meeting
5: 1:00 District 14-N cabinet meeting #2, Blind Assoc.
6: District 14-N fall rally, Atrium, Prospect
8: 11-6 election day dinner and possible membership Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church
10: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
11: Veterans Day
15: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
17: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
22: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
24: Happy Thanksgiving!
25: Christmas tree sale begins
26: Christmas parade

DECEMBER

6: no meeting
8: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
9: 5:30 family Christmas party, A.L. 778, Lyndora
15: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
20: no meeting
25: Merry Christmas!
27: no board meeting

Other Club Officers:

Director, 1 year: Betty Basalyga
Randy Pilarcik
Bruce Wood

Director, 2 years: Bill Criley
Barry Flecken
PDG Linda Gibala

IPP: Robert Ogden

Membership Chair: Steve Bonnett

Tail Twister: Cathie Cox

Lion Tamer: Carolyn Winkler

Marketing/Communications Chair: Connie Ivill

Service Chair: Eric Cranmer
LCIF Coordinator: Mike Winkler

Presidential Appointments:

Chaplain:
Asst. Treasurer: Richard Schwab
Historian: Derek Myers
Photographer: Rhonda Pilarcik
Web Master: Adam Fleeger

2022-2023 Butler Lions Committees**Budget, Finance & Grants:**

Board oversight/chair: T. Faller
PDG D. Gibala
R. Schwab
M. Winkler

Club Events and Programs:

Board oversight/co-chairs: A. Fleeger & M. Fleeger
C. Ivill Rhonda Pilarcik
C. Winkler M. Winkler

Food:

Board oversight: C. Ivill
Chair: E. Fullerton
B. Basalyga C. Cox
J. Basalyga C. Criley
G. Bonnett A. Eyth
S. Bonnett D. McCandless

Public Relations-Club Promotion:

Board oversight/chair: Connie Ivill
A. Fleeger
M. Fleeger
PDG D. Gibala
Rhonda Pilarcik

Membership/Leadership:

Board oversight/chair: S. Bonnett
W. Criley PDG D. Gibala
A. Fleeger R. Ogden
M. Fleeger R. Shipkowski

Fundraising:

Board oversight/chair: M. Fleeger
A. Fleeger C. Ivill
J. Bindernagel T. Morgan
E. Cranmer R. Ogden
W. Criley R. Shipkowski
W. Hetrick B. Wood

Service:

Board oversight/chair: E. Cranmer
C. Ivill B. Basalyga
B. Shipkowski M. Fleeger
A. Fleeger
B. Wood

Vision, Hearing and Diabetes:

Board oversight: B. Wood/chair: S. Colon
J. Bindernagel M. Fleeger (District diabetes
A. Black chair)
T. Faller PDG D. Gibala
B. Flecken M. Winkler

Webmaster:

Board oversight/chair: A. Fleeger
J. Criley C. Ivill
M. Fleeger Rhonda Pilarcik
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